

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BOX ISSUE FEE
Assistant Commissioner
for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendment to the above-identified application.

At page 1, before "Background of the Invention" please insert --This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/038,258, filed February 24, 1997, and U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/039,450, filed February 24, 1997.--

REMARKS

The foregoing amendment is being submitted to perfect the priority claim for the above-identified application. No new matter is being added.